THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETROCHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI P. NAMGYAL) : (a) to (e) The prices of Prednisolone and Prednisolone Acetate durgs were fixed at Rs. 17475·00 and Rs. 17762·00 per Kg. respectively under DPCO, 1979. These prices were revised to Rs. 22420·76 and Rs. 26451·33 per Kg. respectively under DPCO 1987 based on the recommendation of BICP.

Exclusion of bulk drugs from price control

649. CHOWDHARY RAM SEWAK : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names of the bulk drugs which have been excluded from price control though they do not fulfil any of the exclusion criteria as laid down by the Kelkar Committee;

(b) whether it is also a fact that representations were received against the wrong exclusion of such drugs;

(c) if so, what are the details of such representations and when these were received;

(d) whether his Ministry have examined such representations;

(e) if so, what are the details thereof and if not, what are the reasons therefor;

(f) whether any of these drugs have been included under price control based on these representations; and

(g) if so, what are the names of such drugs?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI P. NAMGYAL) : (a) All the drugs excluded from price conrol are as per the recommendattions contained in the Supplementary Report of the Kelkar Committee.

(b) to (g) Representations have been received against the exclusion of some drugs from price control which are under examination.

Increase in the prices of bulk drugs and finished medicines

650. CHOWDHARY RAM SEWAK : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names of bulk drugs and finished formulations where Government have increased the prices during the months of May June and upto 15th July, 1989;

(b) what was the price of each before the announcement of DPCO, 1987 and what was the price before the increase; and

(c) what was the wholesale price index of medicines in 1986, 1987, 1988 and in the month ending June, 1989.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI P. NAMGYAL) : (a) and (b) The required details will be collected and laid on the Table of the Rajya Sabha.

(c) The required details are given in the attached statement.

Statement

Index Numder of wholesale Price of Drugs and Medicines

Commodities	1986	1987	(Base 1970-71—100) 1988	1989 (June) (P)
1. Drugs and Medicines . . .	201.9	212.0	264.0	290.5
2. Bulk Drugs	287.6	294.9	343.6	357.2
3. Formulations	179.2	190.0	242.7	272.8

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